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WEATHER FORECAST—Friday thunderstorms and showers; cooler.

Reduction Sale of White and Black Wash Silk-Waists

We will place on sale to-day our entire stock of fine White and Black Wash Silk Waists at greatly reduced prices.

This is the finest stock of Wash Silk Waists in Richmond and purchasers will get extraordinary values just as the hot season is beginning. All new fresh stock.

39 Waists that were \$2.98 each, now... \$1.98	29 Waists that were \$5.00 each, now... \$3.50
22 Waists that were \$3.98 each, now... \$2.75	12 Waists that were \$5.98 each, now... \$3.98
13 Waists that were \$4.50 each, now... \$2.98	5 Waists that were \$7.50 each, now... \$5.00

Few Soiled Wash Silk Waists at Half Price.

Just as well made and pretty as the above named garments, but soiled from handling

Miller & Rhoads

ONLY TWO DAYS MORE

Great Tee-Dee Outing Contest Positively Closes To-morrow Evening.

GARNERING THE COUPONS

Contestants Working as They Have Never Worked Before.

The great Times-Dispatch Summer Outing Contest will close to-morrow evening; there are but two more days, including to-day, in which coupons may be garnered and the totals of candidates swelled.

Promptly at noon to-day all the ballot boxes will be removed from all the voting stations, except the box at the business office of the Times-Dispatch, No. 916 East Main Street. From that time until the great contest closes at 8 P. M. Saturday all coupons and certificates must be deposited at the Times-Dispatch office.

Contestants are requested to deposit their coupons early in the day Saturday, so as to facilitate the clerical work necessary in ascertaining and tabulating the results, in order that they may be announced in The Times-Dispatch of Sunday morning. In Sunday's issue the names of the fourteen winning couples will be published.

An announcement of the greatest interest to those eligible for the consolation prize trip contest will also appear in Sunday's issue.

The interest in the outing contests is now at a pitch never reached in any contest. All the leading contestants are busy as beavers garnering in the precious coupons, and copies of the paper are in unprecedented demand. It is anybody's race yet, and the candidate relying upon her lead last summer and resting on her laurels is liable to awaken to disappointment. Several couples not among the fourteen leaders of last Sunday have been depositing ballots in great bunches since then, and others are holding great wads of them to rush in to-day and to-morrow. A vote counts as much to-day as to-morrow, however, and there is nothing to be gained by holding them back.

The contest will positively close to-morrow night at 8 o'clock, not a moment earlier, nor a moment later, but precisely on the stroke of 8, and the first stroke, too.

No vote will be counted which is not in the box at 8 P. M.

There is much speculation as to the number of votes cast, but no one can gauge with certainty the number of ballots, for voting certificates count as much as coupons, and they count much faster. The number will reach, however, into hundreds of thousands.

Negro Driver Goes Up.

A baby with a broken hip was offered as evidence in the case of Willie Cheatham, colored, in the Police Court yesterday. Several witnesses were present and testified that Cheatham turned a mule loose and struck him several times, causing him to run away. Willie Lawrence, the colored boy, was in the mule's path and was nearly killed.

Cheatham was sent on to the next term of the Hustings Court.

Consolation Prize Trip—Old Dominion steamship to New York, day boat up the Hudson River to Albany, New York Central Railroad to Clayton, N. Y., steamer down St. Lawrence River, through Thousand Islands and Rapids to Montreal, thence by rail to Abenakis Springs, Quebec, Canada. Two weeks stay at Abenakis Springs. Return by New York Central Railroad via Adirondack mountains to New York to Norfolk via Old Dominion steamship, thence to Richmond, rail or by James River boat.

\$500 FIRE INSURANCE POLICY, issued by VIRGINIA STATE FIRE INSURANCE CO.

\$500 STANDARD ACCIDENT INSURANCE POLICY, issued by BRAND-ER & CO.

FREE TRANSFER OF BAGGAGE to and from depots on leaving and arrival Richmond, furnished by RICHMOND TRANSFER CO.

CONSOLATION PRIZE. ABENAKIS SPRINGS, QUEBEC, CANADA.

VOTING COUPON.

NOTE THIS. When depositing 10 or more ballots, put them up in packages and mark number contained in each package on wrapper of same. Do not put more than 100 ballots in any one package.

TEE-DEE 1904 Summer Outing Tours.

This coupon is good for one vote for the young ladies named below, if deposited on or before

THE MERGER IS RATIFIED

Stockholders Consent to Consolidation of Metropolitan Bank and Trust Co.

WILLIAMS IS THE PRESIDENT

T. K. Sands Vice-President and Cashier—Strong Board of Directors.

Special meetings of the stockholders of the Richmond Trust and Safe Deposit Company and of the Metropolitan Bank of Virginia were held in this city yesterday at the respective banks and the articles of agreement and merger which had been previously adopted by the boards of directors of the two institutions were ratified and adopted and the name given to the consolidated bank was the "Bank of Richmond."

The meeting of the stockholders of the Metropolitan Bank was held first. More than 90 per cent. of the stock was present in person or by proxy and a resolution providing for the consolidation was carried by a large majority vote, about eighty-five per cent. of the stock present voting in favor of the merger.

The stockholders of the Richmond Trust and Safe Deposit Company met about an hour later. About eighty-five per cent. of the entire capital of \$1,000,000 was represented at the meeting in person or by proxy and the agreement of consolidation was ratified by a unanimous vote.

Under the plan of consolidation, the capital of the Bank of Richmond will be about \$750,000, with a surplus and undivided profits of approximately \$250,000. It has the largest capital of any bank in the South Atlantic States.

The general staff of the new bank follows: President, William Williams; First Vice-President, Frederick B. Nolting; Vice-President and Cashier, T. K. Sands; Assistant Cashier, Henry A. Williams; Trust Officer, Lewis D. Crenshaw, Jr.

The Board of Directors of the new bank consists of E. B. Addison, John Skelton Williams, S. W. Travers, T. K. Sands, Eppa Hunt, Jr., E. B. Leigh, Jr., S. D. Crenshaw, Beverly B. Munford, Jno. I. Hickok, S. Sidney Shepard, J. W. Haven, N. Y.; Isaac T. Mann, of Brunswick, W. Va.; J. Wm. Middendorf, of Baltimore, Md.; Ernest Thalmann, of New York City; E. R. Pemberton, of New York City; Beverly T. Crump, Fred. E. Nolting, R. L. Lancaster, Williams, A. von Rosenberg, Wm. H. Parrish, James A. Monroe, T. Francis Green, Lucien B. Tatum, L. D. Crenshaw, Jr.

OWNER OF THE GUN.

John Henry Claims Turner Stole It From Him—Case To-day.

The last link in the chain of evidence surrounding Phil Turner, an in process of forming, and the chances of his escaping conviction are rapidly growing less. The former owner of the gun with which Mr. Netherwood was shot has been found, and is John Henry (colored), who claims that Turner stole the gun from him about a month ago. It is proved against Turner that he did steal the gun and had it in his possession, and that he was the one who shot Netherwood. Judge Gregory declares himself as being satisfied with the evidence accumulated, and the consensus holds with him.

The order of the proceedings before Squire Cheatham, of Chesterfield, this morning will be the case of John Darden, accused of murdering William Terry. Phil Turner, charged with highway robbery; John Williams, charged with breaking into the section house at Centralia, and stealing a lot of articles therefrom.

Motorman Goes Free.

J. M. Bussey, a motorman, was before Justice John yesterday morning on the charge of cursing and abusing Thomas Pulling, a passenger on his car Wednesday night. The evidence was to the effect that Bussey had been very kind to Pulling when he thought him sick, but that after the motorman discovered, as he supposed, that the youth was drunk, he ordered him off the platform to get him out of the way.

The Justice decided that it was only a case of persecution on Pulling's part, and told him so, dismissing the charge against Bussey.

Down the Historic River.

On Tuesday night, July 26th, the Central Young Men's Christian Association will run another of its enjoyable boat excursions to Dutch Gap. A large committee of young men is at work on the plans, and the evening promises to be a delightful one. There will be refreshments and the music will be excellent, being furnished by the Association Philharmonic Orchestra and the Association Mandolin and Guitar Club.

Committee Meetings.

The Committee on Printing and Claims met last night and disposed of much routine business.

The Committee on Health failed of a quorum and will meet at 6 o'clock this evening.

EVERYONE INTERESTED

Alteration of St. John's Attracting Widespread Attention.

"TALKS BUT DOESN'T PAY"

So Declares Vestryman Regarding an Objecting Communicant.

The proposed addition to old St. John's Church is causing widespread interest, owing to the prominent place the edifice occupies in the pages of American history.

The matter has been the source of much discussion pro and con. It is claimed by those who are opposed to the movement that any change in the building would detract from the historical value of the famous house of worship.

It has been said that a minority contingent of the congregation would make a stiff fight against the erection of the addition, and it was also said that there was some talk of getting out an injunction restraining the vestry from altering the church.

Mr. J. S. Moore, a member of the vestry, says:

"There is nothing whatsoever in the stories that have been circulated regarding any opposition to the plans of the vestry. Before any action was taken circulars were sent out to every member of the church, and replies from these were almost unanimous in their approval of the plans, not less than ninety-five per cent. of them favoring the erection of the addition."

"Talks But Doesn't Pay."

Mr. Moore continued:

"As far as I know, there is but one dissenting voice in the congregation, and he is only nominally a communicant, one that does not so much as contribute to the support of the church. The gentleman has done much talking and is working hard to defeat us in the Council, and he is the only person in the entire congregation that is causing the stir in the matter."

Mr. Moore said further that it was not the intention of the vestry to detract from the historic old church in any way, but that they would erect an annex which would form the head of the cross and the old portion would make the arms.

"The greatest objection to our plans, according to all I can learn, is that they will interfere with several graves that are situated near the church," said Mr. Moore, "but this is not the case."

No Desecration.

"The plans for the proposed structure will not desecrate those graves at all, as the building will be over them, and the old portion will be raised up on to walk around and read the inscriptions on the slabs. It seems that those that might oppose our ideas are of the opinion that we are not showing proper respect in placing a portion of the church over the graves."

He then cited many of the most notable churches in England, where people have been buried under them, and where it was considered a great token of honor to be allowed to be buried there.

The addition or annex will be used as a choir room, and will increase the seating capacity by 250 seats.

Rev. R. A. Goodwin, rector of St. John's, declined to be seen concerning the matter.

The Common Council will pass on the question at its next meeting, it having already passed the committee and Board of Aldermen. Prominent members in the church are confident that there will be no hitch there.

WENT FOR WOOL.

City Attorney Pollard and Capt. Guignon Hot After Each Other.

"Your remarks are very offensive, Captain Guignon, but won't allow myself to take offense at them," said City Attorney Pollard yesterday morning during the hearing of the case of the Virginia Wool Company and Power Company in the Police Court.

"Your hide is too thick to make any impression upon," replied Captain Guignon. "That's not the reason, it's because I'm covered with much better insulation than that which your company uses, sir."

The foregoing colloquy was caused by a statement from Mr. Guignon, counsel for the Virginia Wool Company, that the company was something of a "hot" company, and that the city attorney explained what he meant, whereupon Captain Guignon retorted, remarking that good feeling prevailed for the rest of the hearing.

The company was before the court for a third time, and in regard to its wires on Gamble's Hill, on account of which a tree there was badly damaged and some confusion and discomfort caused. Testimony was introduced to show that the company paid little attention to the trouble for several days.

After arguments by counsel for both sides, Justice Crutcher fined the company \$25. Captain Guignon took an appeal.

COURT ORDERS DIVIDEND

Stockholders of Universal Savings and Trust Co. to Get More.

Judge Edmund Waddill, Jr., sitting in the United States Circuit Court, yesterday afternoon entered a decree in the case of Stockholders of Universal Savings and Trust Company, and Trust Company, paying a dividend of eight per cent. to the stockholders of that defunct institution.

The amount to be distributed among about four hundred beneficiaries aggregates about \$8,000, an average of \$20 each. It is expected that another final dividend will be paid in the case in the course of a month or two. Already the stockholders have received about fifty per cent. of the amount due them, and will probably raise the proportion to about fifty-seven or fifty-eight per cent.

The amount to be distributed in this dividend, but Mr. Brady, the clerk of the court, is so busy with other cases that he will not be able to draw the checks at once, but will do so as soon as practicable. The checks will have to be sent to Judge Waddill.

A Breakfast Dainty Good thick rich Cream and Grape-Nuts

Get the little book, "The Road to Wellville," in each package.

World's Fair Exhibit, Space 103, Agricultural Building.

JUSTICE "J." WRATHY.

Insult to Ladies on a Car Stirs Him Up Greatly.

William F. Moore, of North Dakota, came into town with J. R. Burnett, who lives a short distance out in the country, on last Friday night to see the town. They were going on to another town for them, but for two quarts of whiskey that Burnett brought with them. Broad Street, they decided that they must have a drink, and that it would add to the pleasure to have the ladies on the car watch them do it. So a suggestion was made to the ladies to that effect, and it was also intimated that they were not to be allowed to drink the whiskey.

Judge Crutcher was comparatively calm till the insult to the ladies was mentioned. Righteous indignation took possession of him, and Burnett and Moore were fined \$10 each.

STATE SCHOOL MATTERS.

Book List for the State Being Printed—Local Boards Meet.

The local school boards in the various cities and counties of the State will meet annually in the month of August, for the first and the 15th. The blanks for the reports of superintendents, clerks and treasurers are being sent out by the department to these officials. A little before the State Board of Education will meet in this city late in August or early in September to choose a successor to State Superintendent J. H. Tucker, and to dispose of such other business as may come up.

The book list showing the adoption of school text books in every county and city of the State will be issued within the next week. The list makes a printed volume of about 150 pages.

CAPT. WILLARD STRONG.

Valley Democrat Says He Has Many Friends There.

One of the best-loved Democrats in the valley section of the State, while here recently declared that Lieutenant-Governor Joseph E. Willard had many friends up his way and that when the "blow down" came he would pull a good many in the valley in his race for Governor.

Captain Willard's friends in this city are very helpful concerning his prospects for securing the nomination and they are gradually getting up a pretty formidable organization.

The young Lieutenant-Governor enjoys a wide and favorable acquaintance throughout the State and this was considerably augmented in his campaign for his present position. He developed in that struggle into quite an attractive stumper and expects to take an active part in the fall campaign.

WADDILL'S VACATION.

District Judge Will Join His Family at Rockbridge Alum.

Judge Edmund Waddill, Jr., of the United States District Court, will leave this morning for the Rockbridge Alum Springs, where he will spend the month of August at the Rockbridge Alum Springs, where he will spend the month of August at the Rockbridge Alum Springs, where he will spend the month of August at the Rockbridge Alum Springs.

DOUBLE WEDDING.

Nuckols-Carozza and Nuckols-Davenport Celebration.

Miss Amelia Carozza and Miss Cora Davenport were united in marriage to Mr. H. H. Nuckols and Mr. H. H. Nuckols, respectively, at 9 o'clock, the Rev. I. M. Mercer, of Westview Baptist Church, performing the double ceremony which made the families of H. H. Nuckols, happy.

The brides were given in white. The wedding party consisted of the bride, groom, bridesmaids, flower girls, ring bearers, and ushers. The ceremony was very quiet and was witnessed only by friends and relatives.

Lost a Saving Chance.

Both Mr. Crouch, a small boy, went to the store to buy a pair of shoes. He was told by the clerk that he had purchased it with his mother's consent, to use in the country. Later he wanted his money back, but Mr. Harris would not refund. Had he gone so it would have cost Mr. Harris less, for Justice John required him to contribute \$10 for the support of the school.

The fine was imposed under the ordinance prohibiting the sale of small arms of this character to boys.

Sweet Revenge Was This.

Isadora Cohen, who was fined in the Police Court Wednesday for what Justice John calls "body snatching," solicited the case of a woman who had been fined for the same offense. Justice was fined \$10 and his mother was dismissed.

The cases against Jacob's wife and Isadora Cohen were continued on account of their being sick.

Father O. N. Jackson Here.

Rev. Father O. N. Jackson, formerly a citizen of this city, is stopping at the residence on Grace Street. Father Jackson will preach next Sunday at St. Patrick's Church. He will remain in the city for a few days, and will later to the St. Louis Exposition.

Father Jackson is in Bishop Killeen's parish, and is building a beautiful \$75,000 church in Atlanta.

Judge Shepherd Designated.

Judge J. O. Shepherd, of Palmyra, Va., has been designated by the State Department of Education to perform the duties of superintendent of schools of Fluvanna county, ad interim, until a successor to the late Superintendent R. J. Shepherd is appointed.

He held the examination for teachers immediately after appointment. He was formerly judge of the Corporation Court of Fluvanna county, and is now residing there.

Must Give Transfers.

For refusing, through its conductor, to make transfers, the Rockbridge Alum Springs Road & Electric Co. was not asked for till some time after the passenger had boarded the car. The passenger and driver were fined \$25 each. The Police Justice said he wanted the question decided by the higher court, but contrary to his expectation Captain Guignon declined not to appeal the case.

Take Terrell Back.

Governor Montague yesterday granted a writ of habeas corpus to Terrell, who was taken back to West Virginia for trial.

The Clay Street League.

Mr. T. McN. Simpson, Jr., of the University of Virginia, will conduct the evening devotional meeting of the Clay Street League, this evening at 8 o'clock. His subject will be "The Reward of Benevolence." The singing will be good, and the League's friends are cordially invited.

Judge Crump Back.

Judge Beverly T. Crump, of the Corporation Commission, has returned from a brief stay at the City Hall yesterday.

Prices and Quality Here

Best Country Butter, per pound 22c
Strictly No. 1 Timothy Hay, per Ton \$17
Pride of Richmond Flour, \$5.40 bbl., or a sack 34c
Large, Juicy Lemons, per dozen 12c
Arbuckle's Coffee, Per lb 11-12c

New Cut Herring, bbl. \$1.75	Genuine New Orleans Molasses, gallon 90c
New Cut Herring, half bbl. \$2.25	Best Salt Pork, pounds 10c
Large cans Table Peaches, each 12c	Malta Vite, package 10c
Large cans Tomatoes, each 7c	Mother's Oats, package 8c
New Cut Herring, 3 dozen for 25c	Old Crown Rye, gallon \$3.00
New Roe Herring, dozen 18c	Old Keystone Rye, gallon \$2.50
Best Cream Cheese, pound 12c	Old Excelsior Rye, gallon \$2.00
Elgin Butter, pound 25c	Old Capitol Rye, gallon \$1.50
Best Meal, 70c, a bushel, peck 15c	Wilson Whiskey, bottle \$1.00
Large New Mackerel, 3 for 25c	Duffy's Malt Whiskey, bottle 80c
Medium Mackerel, each 8c	Fulcher Whiskey, bottle \$1.00
Best Butcher's Lamb, pound 10c	Buchu Gin, for kidneys, bottle 90c
Silver Leaf Lard, in tin, per pound 11c	N. C. Corn Whiskey, gallon \$2.00
Good Lard, 10c, pound, or three pounds for 25c	
Good Pork, pound 7c	
Shipstuf, ton 25c	
Evaporated Peaches, 3 lbs. for 25c	
Best Prunes, 6 pounds for 25c	

These prices are for cash in advance. Ten cents per gallon extra for jug.

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DAVID R. GRIFFITH, Manager.

BAR CIDER IN RALEIGH

At The Casino.

The Mayor Rules It Can Be No Longer Sold as a Soft Drink.

DEATH OF MRS. BATCHELOR

She Was the Oldest Daughter of United States Judge Thomas R. Purnell.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
RALEIGH, N. C., July 21.—The Woman's Association for the Betterment of the Public School Houses and Grounds in North Carolina, is just two years old and reports for the past year has submitted during the State Convention yesterday and to-day show remarkable progress. The report of the recording secretary shows that there are thirty-eight counties having active associations and twenty-three others have applied for the assistance of the president, Mrs. Howell, of Goldsboro, in the organization of associations. No other State in the Union has such associations.

Apple cider can no longer be sold in Raleigh as a soft drink. Mayor Powell has made a ruling that it cannot be sold as a non-intoxicant. Since the establishment of the dispensary, a number of dealers have built up quite a trade especially on Sundays.

JUDGE'S DAUGHTER DEAD.

Mrs. Julia Purnell Batchelor, eldest daughter of Judge Thomas R. Purnell, of the United States Court died yesterday. The funeral will be conducted to-morrow, being delayed in order that Dr. Herbert R. Drewry, of Norfolk, can arrive from Cincinnati. Mrs. Drewry, sister of Mrs. Batchelor, is already here.

Grand Secretary B. H. Woodell, of this city, has applications for the establishment of Odd-Fellows' Lodges in Selma, Bryson City and Farmville.

Friends of Captain W. H. Day will be delighted to know that he is convalescent from his stroke of paralysis and is able to sit up. He is leading counsel in the case of the Atlantic and North Carolina Railroad receivership cases and for their defense in the indictments against them for conspiracy against the State.

PUBLIC PROPERTY.

The Corporation Commission has completed the work of reassigning the property and franchises of railroads, telegraph and telephone lines, street railways, water works, light plants, etc., and will give the figures to the public in a few days. Commissioners may they have made very little change from the assessments levied last year.

A charter was issued to-day for the Rocky Mount Chamber of Commerce. There are about seventy-five incorporations, leading business men of the place, for the purpose of to promote the commercial interests of the town. T. R. Lumber Company, Dr. W. H. Whitehead, and R. R. Gay are among the number.

The Academy of Music, which is being converted into a combination theatre and auditorium will be opened for the theatrical season September 24. The equipment will be new and complete throughout. The carpenters will complete the remodeling of the place August 1st.

ACTIVITY OF SOCIALISTS.

WMI Hold State Convention to Put Up a Ticket

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
WINSTON-SALEM, N. C., July 21.—The Socialists are planning to hold a State convention at Greensboro for the nomination of a State ticket. Eugene V. Debs, the well known labor leader of Chicago, who figured so conspicuously in the Chicago riots during President Cleveland's last term, and who is the nominee of the Social Democratic party for President, is expected to attend and conduct the first convention. The party is young in North Carolina, but the leaders

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